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Commonwealth of Massachusetts Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission 95 Fourth Street, Suite 3 Chelsea, Massachusetts 02150-2358

NOTICE OF SUSPENSION

November 7, 2022

REHOBOTH MINI MART INC. 61 PLAIN STREET REHOBOTH, MA 02769 LICENSE#: 88949-PK-1020 VIOLATION DATE: 6/17/2022

HEARD: 10/25/2022

After a hearing on October 25, 2022, the Commission finds Rehoboth Mini Mart Inc. violated M.G.L. c. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age (1 count). The Commission suspends the license for a period of one (1) day to be served.

The suspension shall be served on Monday, January 9, 2023. The license will be delivered to the Local Licensing Board or its designee on Monday, January 9, 2023, at 9:00 A.M. It will be returned to the licensee on Tuesday, January 10, 2023.

You are advised that pursuant to the provisions of M.G.L. c.138 §23, you may petition the Commission to accept an offer in compromise in lieu of suspension within twenty (20) calendar days following such notice of such suspension. If accepted, you may pay a fine using the enclosed form which must be signed by the Licensee and a Massachusetts Licensed Accountant.

You are advised that you have the right to appeal this decision under M.G.L. c. 30A to Superior Court within thirty (30) days upon receipt of this notice.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

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DECISION

REHOBOTH MINI MART INC. 61 PLAIN STREET REHOBOTH, MA 02769 LICENSE#: 88949-PK-1020

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Rehoboth Mini Mart Inc. ("Licensee") holds an alcohol license issued pursuant to M.G.L. c. 138, § 15. The Alcoholic Beverages Control Commission ("ABCC" or "Commission") held a remote hearing via Microsoft Teams on Tuesday, October 25, 2022, regarding an alleged violation of M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age (1 count). Prior to the commencement of the hearing, the Licensee stipulated to the facts alleged in Investigator Velez's Report.

The following documents are in evidence:

- 1. Investigator Velez's Violation Report;
- 2. ABCC Approval Cover Sheet, New License Approved, 12/20/2016;
- 3. ABCC Decision, 12/12/2019;
- 4. Licensee's Stipulation of Facts.

There is one (1) audio recording of this hearing.

FINDINGS OF FACT

- 1. On Friday, June 17, 2022, at approximately 6:20 p.m., Investigators Fleming, Terasconi, and Velez ("Investigators"), inspected Rehoboth Mini Mart Inc. to determine the manner in which its business was being conducted.
- 2. Investigators observed a youthful appearing male individual exit a Jeep Wrangler vehicle and enter the licensed premises. Shortly thereafter, the same male individual exited the store in possession of alcoholic beverages, a 12-pack of Truly Lemonade hard seltzer. Investigators identified themselves and asked to see proof of legal age.
- 3. Underage #1, actual date of birth 10/28/2001 (age 20), stated the clerk did not ask him for any identification. Underage #1 did not have his driver's license on his person.
- 4. At approximately 7:45 p.m., Investigators entered the licensed premises and spoke to the clerk on duty who confirmed that he did not ask Underage #1 for identification.

- 5. Investigators informed the clerk of the violation and that a report would be filed with the Chief Investigator for further action.
- 6. Mr. Shaban Asghar, the Licensee, appeared at the Commission hearing and testified he has retrained all employees.
- 7. The Licensee has held a license under M.G.L. c. 138, § 15 since 2016 with one prior violation.

CONCLUSION

Based on the evidence, the Commission finds the Licensee violated M.G.L. Ch. 138, § 34 Sale or Delivery of an alcoholic beverage to a person under twenty-one years of age (1 count). Therefore, the Commission suspends the license for one (1) day to be served.

ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES CONTROL COMMISSION

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I, the undersigned, hereby certify that I have reviewed the hearing record and concur with the
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You have the right to appeal this decision to the Superior Courts under the provisions of Chapter 30A of the Massachusetts General Laws within thirty (30) days of receipt of this decision.

Dated: November 7, 2022

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